

HONORING ANNE STARR AS IOWAN  
OF THE WEEK

## HON. CYNTHIA AXNE

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 3, 2022*

Mrs. AXNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Anne Starr who is the CEO of Orchard Place in Des Moines. May is Mental Health Awareness Month, and I couldn't think of a better advocate and leader on mental health than Mrs. Starr.

Orchard Place works closely with children and youth who have mental health illnesses, behavioral health challenges, battle substance abuse, suffer from trauma, and more. Through early intervention and appropriate care, Orchard Place is developing strong futures for children and their families. Orchard Place offers comprehensive mental health and behavioral health services designed specifically for children and adolescents. These services are delivered by compassionate and highly trained physicians, nurses, therapists, social workers, residential treatment staff, and psychologists. Our behavioral and mental health services include mental health consultation, psychiatric therapy, residential treatment, outpatient mental health therapy, school-based therapy, social skill development, and many more great services.

Anne Starr is a native Iowan, graduating from Fort Dodge High School, the University of Northern Iowa with a BA in Psychology, and from the University of Iowa with a master's in social work. She has been in the human services delivery field for more than 30 years. Her career began as a live-in direct care staff in a residential group care setting. She spent fifteen years as a mental health clinician at Iowa Lutheran Hospital, Orchard Place, and in private practice. During the past 20 years, she has served in administrative roles as a Senior Vice President of Program and Policy for Mosaic with corporate headquarters in Omaha, NE; President and CEO of Buckhorn Children and Family Services, with corporate headquarters in Buckhorn, KY; and Executive Director of Hamilton County's Child Welfare Collaborative in Cincinnati, OH. Starr returned to Orchard Place as the CEO in March of 2013. She has been involved in children's mental health and disability public policy and advocacy efforts across multiple states and at the federal level.

Each year, Anne, and her team at Orchard Place work with around 8,000 children and adolescents of all ages from all over Iowa who need individual help and support. Their goal is to help develop strong futures for children suffering from mental illnesses, behavioral health challenges, substance abuse issues, severe trauma, and more. Under Anne's leadership, she and her team have changed thousands of lives and made our community stronger and helped to destigmatize mental health. I will continue to fight in Congress to support leaders like Anne and organizations like Orchard Place to ensure Iowans have access to the mental health care that they need. It is my pleasure to recognize Anne Starr as Iowan of the Week.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE, SPIRIT,  
AND LEADERSHIP OF THE LATE  
REVEREND THOMAS JAMES, SVD

## HON. TROY A. CARTER

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 3, 2022*

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Madam Speaker, I rise to remember the life, spirit, and leadership of Reverend Thomas James, SVD, the Divine Word Missionaries.

It is with great honor, admiration, and deep privilege that we celebrate the life of Rev. Thomas Anthony James, SVD, who died peacefully on Friday, October 28, after a lifetime of priestly service. He was born on June 11, 1942, in St. Martinville, Louisiana, to Collins Henry James, Sr., and Eva Anthony James and is the eldest of three children.

Father James was educated at Notre Dame Catholic Elementary School in St. Martinville. He pursued his studies at St. Augustine Seminary in Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, and was ordained to the Holy Priesthood by Auxiliary Bishop Warren Boudreaux of the Diocese of Lafayette on December 18, 1969. Recognizing the need for and importance of increasing vocations to the priesthood among African Americans, Father James became an active member of the Black Clergy Association and devoted himself to that cause and to his ministry.

His first assignment was at Verbum Dei Catholic High School in Los Angeles, California, where he served as Teacher and Principal for almost 20 years. He returned to Louisiana in 1987 and was named Associate Pastor at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Lafayette. The following year, he was named Pastor at St. Edward Catholic Church in New Iberia and served as Episcopal Vicar of the South Region of the Diocese of Lafayette under Bishop Edward O'Donnell.

In 2002, Father James returned to Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Lafayette to serve as Pastor. This church had been built to accommodate the "First Four" African American priests ordained in the United States, and several of them had been stationed there. A deep historian, Father James connected the parish and its people to the "First Four," understanding their struggles and persevering in service with gratitude. One of his proudest accomplishments was erecting a Memorial to these "First Four" African American Priests on the grounds of Immaculate Heart.

In 2015, Father James was named Pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Broussard, and St. Anthony Mission Chapel in Cade. During his time at Immaculate Heart and in Broussard, Father James served as Episcopal Vicar of the Central Region of the Diocese of Lafayette under Bishop Michael Jarrell and for a brief time under Bishop Douglas Deshotel. In addition, he served three terms as Vice-Provincial for the Southern Province of the Divine Word Ministries and served several terms on the Provincial Council. He dedicated himself to mentoring young priests throughout the course of his ministry, and he embraced a paradigm of truth and service in his quest to share God's Word and open hearts, one person at a time.

He was dedicated to service in his support of Miles Perret Cancer Services, Veterans programs, and Hospice of Acadiana, where he

served on the Board of Directors. He loved teaching, reading, enjoying time with his friends, fishing, and listening to music. He was a great storyteller, and most of all, he loved to serve God's people and he loved being with his family, whom he cherished so deeply.

Father James was preceded in death by his parents, Collins and Eva James, his nephew and Godson, Collins James III, great-nephew Christian James Batiste, great-niece Skylar Elizabeth Batiste, and great-nephew Denzel Anthony Batiste; and a host of other relatives.

He is survived by his siblings, Sister Geneva James, SSF, and Collins James, Jr. and his wife, Hazel; his niece Louise and her husband, Amos Batiste, Jr.; great nephews Dylan and Tyler Batiste and Brandon Chapman; great-nieces Naseyani and Khylee James and their mother, Forqueena James; and a host of relatives and friends.

I'm sending prayers to Father James' family, friends, students, colleagues, and church community.

He will be so missed.

I take comfort that now, he is at peace with his Savior in heaven.

IN RECOGNITION OF MS.  
MAGAZINE

## HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, November 3, 2022*

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Ms. Magazine for its work to provide comprehensive coverage of women's issues and to celebrate the magazine's fiftieth anniversary.

When feminist activists Gloria Steinem and Dorothy Pittman Hughes started Ms. Magazine in December 1971 with a 40-page insert inside New York magazine, few could have predicted its longevity and its far-reaching impact. But the magazine immediately struck a chord with women, selling 300,000 copies in eight days and generating 26,000 subscription orders and more than 20,000 reader letters within weeks.

While most magazines marketed to women at the time emphasized domestic topics such as the importance of finding a husband, Ms. Magazine featured stories on prominent women's issues including abortion, the Equal Rights Amendment, domestic violence, and sexual harassment.

In July 1972, the first issue of Ms. Magazine was published with an image of Wonder Woman on the cover. In the same issue, 53 women, including Billie Jean King, Nora Ephron, and Gloria Steinem, signed a "we have had abortions petition," one year before the Supreme Court's landmark decision in *Roe v. Wade*.

In the years following, Ms. Magazine has covered and influenced the feminist movement. On a personal note, the magazine also profoundly impacted my career aspirations and legislative agenda in both the New York City Council and in Congress.

Over the course of my career, I didn't have to call Ms. five times to convince them to cover issues and legislation like the Debbie Smith Act, the horrific crime of sex trafficking, and the Equal Rights Amendment.

Ms. also faithfully chronicled my 20-year fight to create the National Women's History

Museum on the Mall. Without Ms.' coverage and advocacy, we might still be fighting.

Women comprise half the population. But we get nowhere near half the attention on critical issues. Most other magazines and new outlets swoop in to cover monumental women's issues like the rollback of *Roe v. Wade*. But Ms. is there every day to cover issues of importance to women and to shine the light on women's often-hidden contributions to all fields.

Today, the Feminist Majority—the magazine's longest-serving publisher—is proudly maintaining Ms.'s 50-year leadership role in shaping and meeting the feminist agenda.

I join millions of women worldwide in recognizing the extraordinary accomplishments and contributions of Ms. Magazine over the past 50 years, and in wishing them every success in the next 50. Because Ms. isn't just a magazine. It's a movement.

HONORING PAUL AND BETTY  
WILSON

HON. LOIS FRANKEL  
OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, November 3, 2022*

Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Paul and Betty Wilson, who are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on November 3, 2022. Paul and Betty live in my hometown, West Palm Beach, Florida and are loved members of our community.

Paul and Betty met at a farm dance in the small town of Whiteland, Indiana. They planned a date that required an hour drive to meet up. On the way, Paul got a flat tire and was late. Betty thought he wasn't going to show up.

Paul not only showed up, he and Betty have been showing up for each other for 60 years. And along the way came five children, many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who fill their lives with joy.

I wish Paul and Betty a very happy anniversary and best wishes for many more blissful years together.

CELEBRATING DAVIDSON  
COUNTY'S BICENTENNIAL

HON. TED BUDD

OF NORTH CAROLINA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, November 3, 2022*

Mr. BUDD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Davidson County for celebrating its 200th anniversary.

Geographically located in central North Carolina, Davidson County's residents have had an immense impact on the state's development throughout the years. Nestled in the Yadkin River Valley, it was established in 1822 when historic Rowan County was divided along the banks of the Yadkin. The new county was named after Revolutionary War Brigadier General William Lee Davidson, a patriot who was killed at the Battle of Cowan's Ford fighting for our nation's independence. In the centuries both before and since, the land has been the home of other American icons, from

legendary frontiersman Daniel Boone to NASCAR Hall of Famer Richard Childress.

The people of Davidson County are fortunate to have a proud history of agriculture and textiles that formed the bedrock of their economy. Known as the "Barbeque Capital of the World", Davidson hosts the annual Lexington Barbeque Festival which attracts as many as 200,000 visitors to the area each year. The County is also now home to robust sectors in modern manufacturing and is well-positioned for future success. Communities like Davidson County are what makes the Old North State the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating the people of Davidson County on their bicentennial anniversary. It is my sincere hope that the county will continue to prosper over the next two centuries and beyond.

IN MEMORY OF DENISE BACON

HON. SUZANNE BONAMICI

OF OREGON  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, November 3, 2022*

Ms. BONAMICI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Denise Bacon, and to recognize her many years of service to the residents of Newberg, Oregon.

Denise was an advocate, active community member, and treasured friend and colleague to many. As a longtime city council member, Denise was a champion for families and worked tirelessly to better the lives of the residents of Newberg, especially its most vulnerable community members. In times of crisis and stability, Denise was a leader, a bridge-builder, and a policymaker with deeply-rooted integrity. Yamhill County is a better place because of Denise's devotion to improving the lives of those around her.

I express my sincere condolences to Denise's family, colleagues, and all those she served. We can honor her legacy by building kinder communities and leading with respect. Let us continue to serve others in her memory.

HONORING THE HEROIC LIFE AND  
SERVICE OF HOWARD RICHARD  
"DICK" NEAHR

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, November 3, 2022*

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of United States Army Private First Class, Howard Richard "Dick" Neahr.

Dick was born on July 8, 1924, in Hagedorn Mills, New York. After attending Galway School, he enlisted in the United States Army on April 8, 1943. He attended boot camp at Camp Croft and was soon sent to Liverpool England and Northern Ireland to prepare for the D-Day invasion. Dick proudly served with the 409th Infantry Regiment 103rd Division. After the D-Day invasion was launched, Dick fought valiantly across France and Luxembourg. In January 1945, during the Battle of the Bulge, Dick was shot in the leg and spent eight weeks in the hospital recovering. Despite

his wounds, Dick returned to France to continue fighting for democratic values and freedom. Dick served all throughout Europe including in the Ardennes, Central Europe, and the Rhineland.

Dick rose to the rank of Private First Class and was then discharged from the United States Army in September 1945. Dick was awarded many medals for his selfless service including the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal. Additionally, he was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge and the WWII Victory Medal.

After his discharge, Dick worked on his family's farm delivering milk and milling trees. After his military service, Dick continued to dedicate his life to serving the people of New York and worked at the New York State Thruway Authority for 21 years. In addition to serving his community, Dick enjoyed bunting and spending time with his wife, Sylvia Thorton, and their 7 children.

Throughout his life, Dick showed exceptional dedication to his country and community. On behalf of the 21st District of New York, I am honored to recognize the incredible life of Howard Richard "Dick" Neahr and thank him for his service to the country.

REMEMBERING THERESA "ANNE"  
MCSORLEY MURPHY

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, November 3, 2022*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and lasting memory of Theresa "Anne" McSorley Murphy. Passing away at the age of 100, Mrs. Murphy leaves behind an indelible legacy through her never-failing grace, kindness, thoughtfulness, and warm personality. She will be greatly missed by her friends and family, but her legacy of love and kindness will persist.

Mrs. Murphy was born on March 23, 1922, in Mokelumne Hill, California, to Thomas Edward and Kathryn Margaret Pitto McSorley. After their mother's tragic passing in childbirth, Mrs. Murphy and her beloved sister, Mary Jane, were raised single-handedly by their father, Thomas. Despite the accompanying challenges, Thomas was never too busy to spend time with his daughters; Mrs. Murphy fondly recounted her father reading to the girls nightly. The sisters became inseparable growing up—a bond they shared for the rest of their lives.

After graduating from Calaveras Union High School in 1939, Mrs. Murphy went on to attend the University of California Berkeley and Munson Business College in San Francisco. On May 2, 1942, Mrs. Murphy married John Raymond "Jack" Murphy, son of Raymond and Alma (Poe) Murphy, in San Andreas, California. Shortly after their wedding, Mr. Murphy enlisted in the Navy and was stationed at Treasure Island in San Francisco. With the onset of World War II, the couple moved throughout the United States per Mr. Murphy's assignments from the Navy. In 1944, when Mrs. Murphy was seven months pregnant with their first child, Kathleen Anne, Mr. Murphy was commissioned to Southern France. Ceaseless in her resiliency, Mrs. Murphy returned home to Mokelumne Hill to live with her father and began raising their daughter alone.